

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A faceplate indicating operation status of an apparatus, comprising:

- 5       a bezel; and  
      a light-pipe,  
      wherein the bezel and the light-pipe are integrated into one piece.

- 10       2. The faceplate of claim 1, wherein said piece is made of an optically clear plastic.

3. The faceplate of claim 2, wherein the plastic is one selected from a group consisting of polycarbonate, SAN  
15       (ABS), and acrylic.

4. The faceplate of claim 1, wherein the faceplate is injection-molded or cast.

- 20       5. The faceplate of claim 1, wherein the light-pipe comprises a lens and a light guide, wherein the lens focuses a light from a light source toward the light guide.

6. The faceplate of claim 5, wherein the lens is  
25       shaped so as to collect and focus the light within a boundary of the light guide.

7. The faceplate of claim 5, wherein a surface of the light guide comprises a plurality of lenses to promote  
30       diffusion of the light.

8. The faceplate of claim 5, wherein an ink is applied on a surface of the light guide to promote diffusion of the light.

9. The faceplate of claim 5, wherein a diffusing lens is formed on a surface of the light guide to promote illumination of the light.

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10. The faceplate of claim 1, wherein the faceplate comprises a plurality of light-pipes.

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